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## Construction of new Main Street bridge under way in Greenup

\$4.8 million contract awarded

FLEMINGSBURG, Ky. – A \$4.8 million Kentucky Transportation Cabinet project to improve highway connectivity in downtown Greenup will begin next week as contractors take the first steps in replacing the city's aging Main Street bridge.

The new bridge, which will carry Main Street (KY 2541) traffic across the Little Sandy River just north of downtown, will be a 32-foot wide, 460-foot long concrete deck and steel beam span built where the old steel-truss bridge now stands. That bridge was closed in September 2003 due to structural deficiencies.

The project has been awarded to American Contracting Services Inc. of Jeffersonville, Ind., under a \$4,768,058.23 low-bid contract.

Next week, the week of Sept. 12, crews will begin work on approach roads and construction vehicle access to the old bridge, which will be demolished this fall. Contractors plan to have the new bridge ready for structural steel by January, with an anticipated completion date – depending on weather and river levels – of late summer or early fall next year.

Once complete, the new and wider Little Sandy River bridge will provide enhanced traffic flow into Greenup along Main Street and will increase state highway system capacity in the region. It will also include aesthetic treatments to help the structure blend into its downtown setting.

During the project, pedestrians are cautioned to stay outside work zones and motorists should watch for construction vehicles in the area.

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